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CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS ASSURE ST. CLOUD'S GROWTH DURING THE COMING YEAR

Council Divides Work to Companies Offering Best For Money After Careful Investigations of Bids Considered

When the city council of St. Cloud assembled last Monday for the purpose of awarding contracts for the public improvements called for in the recent bond issue, there were on hand a great array of contractors and representatives of manufacturers as well as many taxpayers of the city to listen to the final decision.

Promptly at 12:30 Mayor Birch called the council to order and announced the purpose of the meeting, asking that any citizen and taxpayer be given an audience to express their views on the proposed work. Mr. L. D. Frost responded to this invitation and stated that he regretted not having heard all the arguments that had been presented to the council by the contractors at previous sessions while the bids were being considered, and in reference to the street paving he stated that he was heartily in favor of sand-asphalt for the streets of the city. He recited the fact that the county proposed to build that part now contemplated on Tenth street when the St. Cloud-Melbourne Highway was constructed of this material and that for this reason, if for no other, the city should use that material for the four blocks of Tenth street covered by the present contract. Another thing he mentioned was that the city would have an opportunity of disposing of the asphalt now on hand if the asphalt was decided on for the street paving. He thought that the opinions of the people who were to pay for the road should be considered.

After Mr. Frost called these matters to the attention of the council, Councilman Buckmaster asked that the notice to bidders be read, to ascertain that the council in asking for bids reserved the right to reject any and all bids before them. This was found to be a fact. No other taxpayers having asked for permission to address the council the engineer, Mr. Ginn, was requested to recite the work that had been undertaken by the city council in arriving at the best bids. To this Mr. Ginn related the visits made to various cities to inspect several kinds of road material and look over different engines that had been offered the city under the bids called for. During the talk of Mr. Ginn J. F. Farris objected to the engineer relating the conditions of certain roads, which was seconded by Mr. Frost. The mayor sustained Mr. Ginn in his remarks, stating that what Mr. Ginn was relating were facts and not opinions tending to influence the council in favor of any particular material.

After Mr. Ginn finished relating the visits the council had made Councilman Buckmaster moved that the council proceed to read the tabulations of

Work On City Improvements to Start Jan. 1

Announcement was made by Mr. S. N. Cornwall, of the Cornwall Construction Co., successful bidders for the water mains of St. Cloud's new water system, that work would be started on his part of the job by January first. The water mains are to be laid first, and this will be followed by the sewer system, so that the lines in the part of the city that are to have paved streets will have been completed before the paving is laid. Mr. Cornwall intends to employ all labor for the excavation and pipe laying work that he can obtain in the city, but announced that he had the additional force of men ready to come in two weeks. Machinery will be sent here for this job at once.

Mr. C. B. Murphy, representing the Fairbanks-Morse Company, is expected to arrive in the city again today and stated Monday that work would be started at once on the machinery for the city.

The work will all proceed in a manner that will expedite the completion of the whole job. This will give St. Cloud a lively appearance during the next few months.

bids and award contracts that were determined to be the best for the city.

After reading all the bids for the sewerage system it was found that the offer of the Sanitary Septic Tank Company of Memphis, Tenn., was the lowest, their price being \$19,000 for the complete system and disposal plant. This contract was awarded. Mr. W. J. Kearney, vice president of the company being present to close the deal. The apportionment for this was \$22,000.

When the street paving proposition was taken up there were several bids on several kinds of work. The Georgia Engineering Co., of Augusta, Ga., bid \$1.29 per square yard for Augusta block laid flat on sand, and 34¢ per linear foot for the curbing. This figures out for 11,000 sq yards of paving, \$14,245.00; 3,000 feet of curbing at 34¢, \$1,020.00; and the grading and rolling was estimated at \$100 by both the engineer and the representative of the company. This totals \$15,365.00 to which must be added the commission of the city engineer at 5 per cent of the contract. This comes just about three hundred dollars under the amount of money in this fund, the amount to be paid to the contractor.

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ST. CLOUD TO HAVE HEARING ON NEW DEPOT PROPOSITION

As announced in the last issue of the Tribune, a hearing will be held by the State Railroad Commission at Tallahassee, Saturday, to determine whether the Atlantic Coast Line shall be ordered to proceed with the construction of a new depot in the city. The notice printed was directed to the railroad company asking that they show cause why they should not proceed with such work.

Mr. L. D. Frost, representing the railroad committee of the Board of Trade, leaves this evening to be on hand at Tallahassee Saturday to look

after the city's interest, and it is believed in view of the large amount of work that the city is undertaking this winter in public improvements that the railroad will agree to proceed with a handsome structure. These matters will be presented by Mr. Frost in his usual able manner, and hope is entertained that this will end the matter of securing a new depot.

The Atlantic Coast Line can add much to the beauty of the city as well as provide the necessary improvements at this time, and the result of the hearing will be awaited with keen interest.

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EXHIBIT OF PRODUCTS GROWING

Every day new specimens of the products of the farm and grove are being added to the collection at the office of the St. Cloud Development Co., in the Makinson block. This week, in addition to those already reported, Mr. James Johnston received the following:

Mr. D. K. Hall, corner Columbia avenue and Tenth street, joining the city limits west, presented a fine bunch of Kennedy lemons, a bunch of Parsons Brown oranges, a bunch of Citrus oranges, a bunch of Ponderosa lemons and some fine Duncan grapefruit.

W. H. Fowler, located on the 1/4-acre tract west of the city, presented a bunch of California limes grown on his place.

J. H. Boswell, of Pennsylvania avenue, between 12th and 14th streets, presented a fine pumpkin grown in his garden.

W. D. Rouse, of Connecticut avenue and Fifth street, presented the display with one of the prettiest bunches of cut roses that has been displayed for some time.

Jack Simmons presented a fine basket of sweet potatoes and a fine display of corn. This corn display proves that this section will grow as fine grain as can be found anywhere in the country. These potatoes and corn came from the Aaron Bass place near Alligator Lake.

ST. CLOUD CITY COUNCIL PROVE THEIR BUSINESS SAGACITY IN LETTING CONTRACT

Much Credit Due the Commissioners For Their Diligent Efforts to Safeguard the Taxpayers' Interests

The Bond Issue, Premium, Contract Price and Surplus

	Allowance Bond Issue	Premium	Total \$ & Funds	Contracts Left Over
Streets	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,291.50	\$ 16,291.50	\$ 15,825.95
Water	72,000.00	6,199.20	78,199.20	72,555.00
Sewers	21,000.00	1,808.10	22,808.10	19,570.00
Sinking Fund ..	2,000.00	172.20	2,172.20	2,000.00
Refund	4,000.00	344.40	4,344.40	4,000.00
	\$114,000.00	\$9,815.40	\$123,815.40	\$113,950.95
				\$9,864.45

That St. Cloud taxpayers have the best city government of any small city in the state can no longer be doubted. When the new charter providing for a modified commission form of government was adopted, there were, of course, many who decried the wisdom of the system that would be in effect under the new charter. The charter was passed by the 1915 session of the legislature, through the efforts of Senator Arthur E. Donegan and Hon. N. C. Bryan, representative. At that time the editor of the Tribune had the pleasure of being one of the press bureau in Tallahassee, and the city of St. Cloud received much favorable comment on the new charter. Today we are presented with some real facts of the business ability of the men that have been chosen to carry out the provisions of this charter.

Many months ago the agitation for civic improvements that were necessary was started. Every person had different ideas to advance as to what was best for the city.

Lily Dale, N. Y., Dec. 6

Editor Tribune

As I opened your newspaper this morning my eyes rested on your gracious invitation to come to St. Cloud. I accepted it as a personal invitation, and although alone, exclaimed aloud: "I'm Coming!" I hope to soon enjoy the balmy air of the Wonder City. Will subscribe on my arrival. Others will join me in my home city, Cincinnati, Ohio, on the first of January.

Thanking you for your interesting paper, yours for prosperity.

M. S. Greenamyer.

lars will board a baby for a whole week; five dollars will provide a good home for some poor orphan child; ten dollars will provide a brace for some little crippled twenty-five dollars will provide a pension for some worthy little widow and four or five little kiddies, etc., etc. You just can not send too little or too much to be of real help.

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Your servant and co-worker,

Marcus C. Fagg,
State Superintendent.

SOLD COUNTY POOR FARM; BUY SITE FOR CO. HOSPITAL

At the special meeting of the county commissioners held last Monday the board accepted a bid of \$7,000 for the present county poor farm site on the east side of Lake Tohopekaliga, near Kissimmee Park, and purchased a site for a county hospital on the road leading toward St. Cloud from Kissimmee, paying approximately \$12,000 for the old Henry Bass place and another tract adjoining. It is the intention of the commissioners to conduct a farm in connection with the county hospital, and make the institution one of benefit to the whole county. The new place was purchased from W. C. Bass and Eugene Bryan.

Comrade J. M. Winn and wife have returned to St. Cloud for the winter and are staying at the Wentworth's cottage.

ST. CLOUD MAY SOON ENJOY DIRECT LINE OF TELEGRAPH

As announced through the Tribune several weeks ago, Senator Arthur E. Donegan, president of the St. Cloud Development Company, has been working tirelessly in the interests of the development of the city, and to that end was endeavoring to obtain a direct telegraph service for St. Cloud. This seems now an almost assured fact.

On Wednesday Senator Donegan brought to the city Mr. L. J. Maxwell, district superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Co., and Mr. A. E. Lang, traffic manager of the same company, with a view of impressing these gentlemen with the importance of such an extension of their company's lines.

Mr. Maxwell was interviewed by the editor of the Tribune and stated he was most favorably surprised at the development and growth of the city, and after looking over the situation thought that in all probability

the company would open an office here with a direct line from the city to the main wires of the system, and that he would at once take the matter up with the other officials of the company looking toward the accomplishment of these results at an early date.

Senator Donegan, in order to aid in obtaining this service for the city, has generously offered the free use of a wire over his line to the city, together with free office rent, and pledged his hearty co-operation in obtaining an up-to-date service and development of the telegraph business of the city. With this offer made to Mr. Maxwell to report to the other officials, it seems only a matter of a few weeks until we shall no longer be dependent upon telephone relaying of telegraph. This will be a valuable addition to efficient business transactions that has in recent years made necessary the use of the telegraph service.

KLOOS' DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY AT AGE OF EIGHTY-ONE CELEBRATED

On last Friday was added another year to the eighty good ones that have been given to Comrade Kloos.

Each of these anniversaries has come around in St. Cloud has been a glad day to many, for when Comrade Henry has a birthday the folks know it, as he loves to share its pleasures with others. Therefore it was no surprise to see friends gathering at his home last Friday, to meet him and greet him with congratulations—real big ones, as he, having been a shut-in since June, is now able to get about the house and grounds.

All those who were able to get there before dinner sat at that meal with a full realization of one of the several reasons why our comrade has reached four score and one. His wife is not only his loving companion, his doctor, his nurse—she is his cook.

After the feast his pastor and wife came in their car with a load of people, adding to the happiness all around, as good folks are not only happy, but share that blessing wherever they go. Of course, Brother Henry's best book was opened at a chapter describing God's mercies and the many joys that are sure to follow, a heart-prayer was voiced, and the golden glow of Christian love enhanced the pleasures in that home.

Then the band came with fife and drums, for the musicians of St. Cloud, as do all who know him, love our comrade, as was manifested by their presence and their playing.

Presents suitable to the occasion were given; a walk through the beautiful grounds of the Kloos home was enjoyed; then hearty handshakes and goodbyes closed the pleasant visit.

What has added to the enjoyment of these special days for three-score years, is that each is also the anniversary of the day when, six decades ago, a young man, fresh from the fatherland, stepped on America's soil, and, as he was hopeless, he found favor in his adopted country. He was one of those who, in the sixties, enlisted in the army and placed his body on his country's altar of patriotism, and fought bravely to maintain the honor of the flag he had learned to love. Then, when the war was ended, and the land at peace he, as a good citizen, grew up with the coun-

try and aided in its growth, rejoicing at sight of every added star in the galaxy of Old Glory.

And as the years of Comrade Henry Kloos' life have grown in number, they have been well spent—each one a step higher up in honor, each one raising him to a more sacred nearness with his God, whose love and blessing rests upon him.

May we often see such heights added to this eighty-first, from which he greets his many friends.

A Comrade.

HIS THREE SCORE AND TEN

Just a few days ago Col. Frank Harris, the widely known and equally loved editor of the Ocala Banner, and the dean of the Florida press, rounded out three score and ten years. There are few men in Florida, and in the South who command the respect and admiration such as that enjoyed by the venerable Ocala editor, and it is a fitting although slight recognition of his service to his state that he heads the delegation of democratic national electors. No one could have been more solely disappointed and disheartened than Col. Harris when the early election returns indicated the choice of former Justice Hughes for president of the United States. Equally deep seated must have been the joy felt at the return of President Woodrow Wilson, and it will be a fine honor that falls to Florida to have Mr. Harris at the head of the Florida electors. Among the newspaper fraternity none stand higher nor more beloved, and this high place he will always hold in the hearts of all who are privileged to call him friend.—St. Augustine Rec'd.

GASPARILLA FAIR

Tampa, Dec. 7.—With general exhibits from twenty or twenty-five counties representing all sections of Florida, assured, the work of promoting the South Florida Fair and Gasparilla Carnival, the dates of which are February 2 to 10, is now under way. The construction of at least one new building and the extension of the grounds will be necessary to accommodate the increased volume and variety of exhibits, for which

free space will be granted, as usual. From now on the Fair and Carnival will be extensively advertised and the attendance is expected to be from twenty-five to fifty thousand larger than that recorded last February. Amusement attractions of a higher class will be secured and efforts are being made to stage the Gasparilla Carnival on a bigger scale than ever before. The railroads and steamship lines are again offering extremely low round trip rates from all points east of the Mississippi river, and some points west, and will make an effort to double the patronage of last winter from Ohio river points.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR FARMERS' SHORT COURSE ARRANGED

The Farmers' Ten Day Short Course at the University of Florida this year will be replete with valuable suggestions for farmers. Dr. J. E. Turlington, professor of agronomy in the College of Agriculture, who has charge of the program, has announced a number of the subjects which will be discussed during the course. Among these are soils, crop rotation, uses of lime, plant food and how the plants feed, farm crop insects, young folks club works, application of fertilizers, types and breeds of farm animals, corn culture, forage crops, boll weevil conditions, curing meats, legumes, truck and fruit diseases, loss of plant food through leaching, cover crops, farm management, leases and farm mortgages.

The general plan is to have lectures in the mornings and laboratory work, field trips and demonstrations in the afternoons. The laboratory work will include livestock, fruit and staple crops judging. Demonstrations in hog cholera inoculation, farm implements, irrigation systems, and farm power machinery will also be held.

A few night lectures probably will be arranged. These will be on subjects of general interest and will be held in Gainesville so that anyone interested may attend.

BADGERS TAKE NOTICE

The Badgers will meet on December 21st, at Comrade Marskie's on Massachusetts Avenue, near Sixth street. All Wisconsin people and members are invited to be there. Come at 11 o'clock with well filled baskets for dinner, to be served between 12 and 1 o'clock. N. A. Stillwell, Press Correspondent.

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION

The regular monthly meeting of the Michigan Association was held in G. A. R. Hall on the 6th inst., at 10 a.m. The veterans and their families were called together by the inspiring strains of martial music, which is such a notable feature of life in our Wonder City. The ladies came with baskets filled and abundant rations, and at noon the hungry old coffee coolers, at a signal from their better halves, made a determined charge upon the grub-laden tables, and it was a portentous and forceful exhibit of the soaring price of food stuffs to see the viands disappear under the vigorous and persistent attacks of the "fellers" who in the 60's were never known to flinch from duty, however hazardous, and all did ample justice to the generous and sumptuous repast.

At 2 p.m. the company, to the number of 150, assembled in the G. A. R. post room and were called to order by President J. F. Bullard. Rev. Jenkins, of the Christian church, pronounced the invocation. The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and approved.

Election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President—James Goff.

Vice-president—Albert Manypenny.

Chaplain—Rev. Jenkins.

Treasurer—Mrs. Manypenny.

Secretary—J. N. Burch.

Following the election of officers a short program was rendered, as follows:

Short humorous sketches by Mrs. Carrie Williams.

Song, Marching Through Georgia, led by Comrade Bullard, the audience joining in the chorus.

Reading, Michigan, Mrs. James Goff.

Song, Comrades, J. N. Burch.

Reading, I Live Here, Mrs. Grace Cooper.

Song, Old Shady, Comrade Bullard, and in response to an encore he sang Old Black Joe.

Rev. Jenkins made a pleasant little talk and expressed his appreciation for the honor of being chosen chaplain of the association, and his gratification at being with us on this indeed pleasant occasion.

Comrade N. C. Bardwell, who served in Custer's Cavalry Brigade, gave a fine talk about Michigan and sung "The Old Grand Army Boys."

Comrade Bullard was given a rising vote of thanks as the retiring



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AUXILIARY NO. 17

The Elsie P. McElroy Auxiliary, No. 17, of the Army and Navy Union, held their regular meeting December 11th, at the Masonic hall, Pennsylvania avenue and Tenth street. Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved, with Lady Commander Mary P. Doughty in the chair. There was a good attendance, it being the election of new officers for the coming year. There will be a meeting on Christmas Day at 3 o'clock. All members who are available please attend, it being a short session, business of importance. Mrs. E. Vreeland, Press Correspondent.

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\$150 Lots can now be bought for \$75
\$100 Lots can now be bought for \$50
\$50 Lots can now be bought for \$25**

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NEW YORK VETS ASSOCIATION

The 72nd New York Veterans' Association meeting was held in Oak Grove Park on Tuesday, December 5th, at 2 p.m. Opened by singing America, Prayer by Comrade Lynch, Song, Old Black Joe. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved, also treasurer's report given. The next meeting to be held in the Park, weather permitting, and will hold a picnic dinner at noon, as the comrades will be there repairing the seats and tables. The program was then taken up under the supervision of Mrs. Davis, as follows:

Song, Battle Hymn of the Republic, Fe.

Reading by Mrs. J. G. Hill, The Little Bronze Button.

Song by Comrade Purdy, The Soldier's Return.

Story by Comrade Francher, The Seafaring Wife.

Song by choir, Lillie Dale.

Reading by Mrs. Stillwell, The Last Old Soldier.

Reading by Mrs. S. E. Hill, A Smile Along the Way.

Reading by Comrade J. G. Hill, Suggestions on Getting Married.

Recitation by Mrs. Francher, "I Salute You, Old Glory."

Recitation by Mrs. Vreeland, Your Flag and My Flag.

The meeting closed by singing of Marching Through Georgia.

The following comrades joined the association:

L. L. Cadwell, Co. B, 2nd N. Y. Vet Cavalry.

Michael Riley, Co. H, 14th N. Y. Inf., and Co. D, 15th Cav.

Arthur E. Furner, Co. K, 8th N. Y. Cavalry.

Harvey A. Metcalf, Co. K, 8th N. Y. Cavalry.

Charles B. Glass, Co. D, 20th N. Y. Cavalry.

Amelia R. Robinson, Press Correspondent

LOYAL DAUGHTERS

The Loyal Daughters' class met at the home of Mrs. C. W. Morsman on Friday, November 8th. The meeting was of special interest, being the annual election of officers. Mrs. J. L. Marsh was elected president; Mrs. Prather vice-president; Miss Constance Harry secretary; Miss Emma Grant, treasurer, and Edith Harrod, press correspondent and Mrs. Strode teacher.

Other important work was transacted and future work planned.

This class has been awake to the interest of the Sunday school, both in a financial and spiritual way, and hope to do a greater work for the Master in the coming year.

After the business session the social hour was enjoyed with music on the Victrola, many pieces being by noted artists, and especially the sacred duet, "Abide With Me." After this refreshments were served.

The class adjourned to meet at the church in two weeks.

Edith Harrod,
Press Correspondent

NEW ENGLANDERS MEET

The New England Association held its first meeting of the season Tuesday, December 12, at Masonic Hall, with Mr. Wentworth, the vice president, presiding. The meeting opened with singing by audience of "America." Prayer was offered by Mr. Goodwin, after which the minutes were read by the secretary, Miss Jane Warner.

Resolutions were passed on the death of President Smith, and a committee of three, Messrs. Goodwin, Adams, and Miss Jane Warner, were appointed to draw up resolutions of sympathy for those left behind. Mr. Adams eulogized the late president and praised him very highly.

It was decided to have a picnic banquet at some place in two weeks, on December 26th, everyone to meet at 11 a.m. Mrs. Goodrich and Miss Apple were appointed banquet committee. In the afternoon the annual election of officers will take place. Committee for the entertainment that day are Miss Apple and Mr. Balcom.

Eight new members joined and there were forty-five present. Stories, both humorous and solemn, were told by Messrs. Adams, Currier, Small and Balcom.

Solo, Love's Old Sweet Song, by Jane Warner.

The meeting closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," by the audience.

ENTERTAINED WITH DANCE

Misses Jesse Morrison and Ruth Bass were hostesses at a delightful dance given in the dining room of the New St. Cloud Hotel last Friday evening. Pleasing music was furnished by a Victrola. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Edd George, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. R. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Buckmaster, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy of Tampa, Mr. and Mrs. S. Brammer, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Tunnicliffe, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood, of Connecticut; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eley, Mr. and Mrs. Labor Farris, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Grimm, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruitt, Mr. and Mrs. Corwin, Mr. and Mrs. Born, Mesdames Cushman, P. D. Marine, J. D. Chunn, Kirkland, Lida Mosher, Chase, and Thompson; Misses Cox, Ruth Wiley, Elizabeth George, May Kay, Pearl Creel, Davis, Reiley, Alexander, Edith VanNatta, Alma Coble, Winifred Lockwood; Messrs. Roy Taylor, Harry Todd, Roy Vandenberg, L. C. Riddle, Lynn Daugherty, Harris, Jemison, VanNatta, W. S. Alyea, Frank, Angel, Farris, L. A. Guessaz, E. A. Henry, and Mr. Steart.

Delightful punch was served the guests, and they spent a delightful evening, and declare their hostesses delightful entertainers.

AT THE NEW ST. CLOUD

D. J. Garrison, Jacksonville; C. C. Lewis, Brogville, Del.; Howard Batt, Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Riley, and daughter, Ripley, W. Va.; F. Danforth, Newark, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Nolloway, Frankford, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Moenclerto, Winchester, Tenn.; James Alexander, Madena, Pa.; Miss V. M. Davis, Patton, Pa.; M. V. Alexander, Padena, Pa.; S. M. McConnell, Tampa, Fla.; B. C. Funnell, Atlanta; L. H. Whitten, Jacksonville; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Harries, Orlando; Daniel Haracy, Burnet, Vt.; R. O. Phillips, Keenansville, Fla.; John C. Boesch, Jacksonville; B. L. Alvis, Atlanta; C. H. Welch, Bellvue, Mass.; H. F. Roller and wife, Sanford, Fla.; Wm. Dobson, Minneapolis; E. G. Smith, Syracuse, N. Y.; Hal Estes, Tampa; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kearney, Memphis, Tenn.

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AT THE BON AIR

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones, Stoneham, Mass.; D. A. Bois and wife, Huntington, W. Va.; Jonah Bayles, Montgomery, W. Va.; W. W. Baker, East Fairfield, Vt.; Chas. W. Robbins, Boston, Mass.; N. M. Montague, Canton, Pa.; R. W. Burroughs, Norfolk, Va.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS

The Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church held a very enjoyable meeting at the Bardwell home on the lake front on last Friday afternoon. The subjects for the meeting were "Syria" and "The Mountain People." Mr. S. Bartlett and Mrs. Summerville were leaders. Many excellent and instructive things were brought out in regard to the work among these two classes of people. A lunch consisting of coffee, sandwiches and doughnuts was served during the social hour.

We feel very highly honored by the presence of several gentlemen and hope they may come again. Forty-one were at the meeting.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

Lord's Day

Bible School 9:30

Preaching Service 10:30

Christian Endeavor 6:00

Chart Lecture 7:00

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting 7:00

The pastor has moved into the new parsonage and will be at home every Wednesday and Friday of each week. Come in and let's get acquainted.

The subject for next Sunday night will be: "The Five New Testament Baptisms."

Paul says: "There is one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism," yet the New Testament teaches five. Each of these baptisms had and will have their place in the great plan of salvation. Come and hear these all explained, as there is only one that is now valid. This will be a chart lecture.

Everyone welcome.

Eld. I. L. Jenkins, Pastor,

By Edw. E. Ely
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CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

(Continued from page 1.)

portionment being \$15,000, together with the 8 per cent premium received on the bonds gives the council \$16,000. The contract was awarded the Georgia Engineering Co., Mr. E. A. Henry being present to represent the company.

Bids as low as \$1.16 for brick were on file, but the council was not positive that this cost would give them No. 1 brick, which was desired. In awarding the brick contract there was one dissenting vote, Mr. Fred Kenney voting nay.

The real contest came when the matter of selecting the machinery for the plant was taken up. There were bids on steam, and three on fuel oil. But one company bid for the plant complete, that of the Fairbanks-Morse Co., who offered the two engines, two generators, two pumps, excitors and switch board, installed complete, and guaranteed, for \$20,000. While it appeared the investigations of the council had resulted in their minds being made up on this question, one of the liveliest salesmen's contest was indulged in for two hours between Mr. Fennell, of the Nordberg Diesel Engine Co., and Mr. Murphy of the Fairbanks-Morse Co. The council was treated to more technical information about the machinery than seemed necessary, but facts were brought out that will prove valuable in the future history of the city's plant and the contract was awarded to the Fairbanks-Morse people for \$20,000.

After the machinery question was settled, some delay was encountered in determining what kind of pipe should be used for the water mains, wood stave pipe having been favorably considered. This matter was finally left open until Tuesday, when all the facts were considered and an award made to the Cornwall Construction Co., of Tampa, for the installation of the water mains, their price for the materials called for, installed and connected to the plant, being approximately \$35,000.

The last award made Monday was that for the water tower, to have a capacity of 75,000 gallons. This went to the Chicago Structural Iron Co. for \$6,000 complete.

Tuesday, after the awards for water mains were made, the erection of the building for the power house was given to W. J. Mallett, our local concrete contractor, the price being \$3,800.

The well will cost the city \$2,000; lot for building \$1,000; reservoirs for water \$2,000; oil tank \$700, and listed accessories \$150. This brings the water works contract, together with the engineer's commission, up to a total of \$72,555. There will be \$77,760 in this fund when the bonds are delivered. It will be seen that there is ample money to look after any emergency fixtures found necessary as the work proceeds. The water mains will comprise 31,900 feet of six-inch wood stave pipe, 4,680 feet of six-inch cast iron pipe, 970 feet of eight inch cast iron pipe, with 3,680 feet of ten inch cast iron pipe. This large pipe will be laid in the fire district, but with the

WALTER HARRIS TO HANDLE PLUMBING

With Installation of City Water and Sewer Citizens May Have Modern Conveniences

Now that the city is soon to have all modern conveniences in the installation of water works and a sewerage system, it is suggested that property owners desiring to connect with these systems as soon as completed do not wait until the work is ready to look after the plumbing in their homes and business houses. This should be taken up at once with the plumber so that the work may be done in the proper manner without waiting for the influx of many workmen that usually follow up the installation of water works seeking jobs as plumbers. Reliability of the person to whom the work is entrusted is a necessary consideration, and if the health and convenience of the household is to be looked after in the proper manner the work should be given attention at once.

Although Walter Harris has been known as the tinner and sheet iron worker in St. Cloud, he is also a competent plumber and has a small display of these necessary adjuncts to a comfortable home at his place of business on New York avenue.

Mr. Harris told the editor of the Tribune this week that he was in position to give estimates and furnish the highest grade of plumbing, and that he intends to look after all work in this line as it is called for. He does not mean that his shop to handle tin, metal ceiling, walls and sky light work will not continue to do so, but that he will give as thorough attention to the increased demand for plumbing in the next few months that he has in the past to all lines of tin and metal work, metal ceilings, sky light work, etc.

Mr. Harris has a full line of plumbing supplies, including fixtures for the bath room, bed room or kitchen, and can supply water tanks, either for storage supply or hot water heaters and their necessary connections. To those persons who desire to get good service and high grade materials at as good prices as the cost of material will permit, Mr. Harris invites an interview. He is ready at all times to handle the work enumerated in his line.

16-tp

plans for the entire system, the size of pipe used will give the residents a low insurance rate throughout the water limits of the city.

In addition to the contract for the water system, sewer system and brick paving, the council is arranging to increase the fire equipment so that when the water system is complete, the fire department may be available in all parts of the city. A deal was made with the Eureka Hose Co. for sufficient rubber hose to be delivered when called for, at the present market price. Some arrangement for an automobile fire truck will be made which will put St. Cloud in a higher rated class with the Underwriters' Association.

With these matters all closed the council can settle down to their routine work of providing proper ordinances for the operation of the new systems, which will be completed by July 1, 1917.

ST. CLOUD TO HAVE FIRST CIRCUS ON DECEMBER 19

The small boy, the old boy, the giddy youth and blushing damsel alike will have an opportunity of witnessing the first circus that has ever pitched tent in the Wonder City, when the Alf. E. Wheeler circus comes to town next Tuesday.

Never before in the short history of the Wonder City has a show man turned this way other than to post the town announcing an exhibition in some nearby city. We have now taken on such population that we have attracted the wily acrobatic entertainers, together with the troupe of fun-

y clowns that have for ages been the delight of old and young alike. The shows are running and tell their story in an ad on page six of this issue of the Tribune.

State Regulation of Child Labor Analyzed

By Taking Hold Instead of Letting Go, Now That Federal Law Is Passed May Abolish Child Labor, Says National Child Labor Committee.

State regulation of child labor in local industries is not yet as thorough as the federal regulation of industries engaged in interstate commerce according to the annual report of the general secretary of the National Child Labor Committee, just published in the quarterly Child Labor Bulletin. Twenty-eight states allow children to work more than eight hours a day in stores and other local establishments; 28 states have no regulation of street work by children, and 20 states have poor regulations; 23 states need night messenger laws; 23 states do not require medical examination of children for work permits; 12 states have no educational requirements for work permits, and 32 states have standards lower than the 5th grade; one state has no compulsory education law, and four states have only local option laws. Therefore, "the 1,850,000 working children whose status cannot be directly affected by any kind of federal regulation present the major problem on which the efforts of the committee may now be concentrated," says Owen R. Lovejoy, the general secretary, in his report. "Congress has forged the tools for an aggressive campaign, and we have now reached the stage where by taking hold instead of letting go, we may hope to see the solution of the problem."

The committee is a strong organization ready for the aggressive campaign suggested in the details of the report which show that the membership was larger than ever in 1915, totalling 9,236 persons, that investigations, including studies of agriculture, canneries, textile mills, tenement home work, and vocational training, were carried on in fourteen different states, that the committee's exhibits have been shown in 47 cities and that its newspaper publicity has reached every state in the Union.

The Child Labor Bulletin, containing this annual report, includes also an article on the enforcement of child labor laws which suggests that the mere passage of laws without the machinery to enforce them and without the co-operation of local courts is futile, a detailed discussion of the present Child Labor situation, and several editorials on the movement for the codification of all child welfare laws, recent state legislation, and the immediate effects of the federal law. Copies of the Child Labor Bulletin may be obtained from the National Child Labor Committee, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

DRY TOURING TO FLORIDA

In winter, automobile-touring the South, which will attract more New York motorists this season than ever before, Washington rises in new importance as a port of departure and Jacksonville, Fla., to equal prominence as a port of arrival.

With new prohibition laws just going into effect in two southern states,

there is not a saloon between Washington and Jacksonville. Through the states of Virginia, North Carolina, and Georgia it is all "dry." The main route to Florida traverses these states, and as Florida is the polar point of destination of most of the New York motorists, the new dispensation, in the minds of those automobile tourists who consider a flask of whiskey necessary to prevent chills

makes Washington the gateway of the South.

But even from Washington only a quart of liquor to a person may be taken by automobile into Virginia. C. K. McQuarrie, state agent for the University of Florida Extension Division, recommends that the potatoes be sunned about two days before they are placed in the bank. A desirable bank is one four feet wide at the base and five feet deep from the apex to the base. All diseased or injured potatoes should be eliminated.

The pile should be covered with fine hay or straw and then with about two inches of soil. A roof of boards or shingles should be placed over the whole to shed water. A ventilator may be provided by placing saddle boards supported by a pad of straw along the top of the ridge. This will avoid heating.

"I think the new order will make touring in the South more delightful. I know that many motorists like to have a flask with them as a precaution. This can be obtained at Washington, and as the through trip to Jacksonville only occupies four days, no one who desires a stimulant need be without it. On the other hand the closing of the saloons means that all wild driving by liquor-inflamed men will be cut out and the roads will be safer.

"The laws which put Virginia and

Georgia in the 'dry' column were passed some time ago but only went into effect this month. Florida is what is known as a 'package' state, that is, liquor is only sold in packages and at designated points. For instance, at Jacksonville nothing less than a quart may be bought. While in Florida I saw some large signs going up at dividing points along the route. In big letters they read, on one side, 'Your last chance, and on the other side, 'Your first chance.'

"I can assure motorists who are

contemplating a tour of the South

that they will suffer no inconvenience from searching. They will be treated courteously everywhere, as the South

is very desirous of attracting more

and more of them."—New York Times.

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NEXT SPRING

Sweet potatoes may be kept during winter if they are properly stored.

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FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—Lot 12, Block 278; lot 15, block 195; also two 5-acre tracts. E. G. Fry, 1532 Wes. First street, Dayton, Ohio. 16-2tp

FOR SALE—100 acres, ready for the law; house, 7 rooms; large barn; 1/4 mile of church; 3 stores, postoffice, depot; one crop should pay for it; fine opportunity for subdivision. F. L. James, St. Cloud. 11-tp

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, all in

good cultivation; 2 1/2 acres in oranges and grapefruit trees, just beginning to bear; one new bungalow of six rooms and two porches. Cheap for cash. Mrs. M. J. Johnson, Narcoossee, Fla. 5-tp

FOR SALE—5-acre tract, fenced, house and well on place; 2 1/2 acres cleared. Price \$150. Box 607. 1-tp

FOR SALE—Lots two (2) and three (3) in Block 296 on Maryland Ave., also 3-acre tract No. (25) in Section No. (13), Tp. (26), Range (30) east, about a mile south of town. Will sell this property at a bargain, as I cannot go there to live permanently, as I planned; taxes are all paid. Any offer carefully considered. Address P. D. Burton, Grinnell, Iowa, or see S. J. Scriber, St. Cloud, Fla. 15-3tp

FOR SALE—FURNISHED HOUSES

FOR SALE—Small house, furnished; two lots. Box 607. 11

LOST

LOST—Gold breast pin, shovel and pick crossed; finder return to Tribune office and receive reward. 15-3tp

MISSING

missing. This house need not be expensive where lumber is available, but farmers who do not care to erect a storage house may bank their crop. C. K. McQuarrie, state agent for the University of Florida Extension Division, recommends that the potatoes be sunned about two days before they are placed in the bank. A desirable bank is one four feet wide at the base and five feet deep from the apex to the base. All diseased or injured potatoes should be eliminated.

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Mr. McQuarrie urges farmers to save all the sweet potatoes possible.

Irish potatoes probably will be higher later than they are now, which will give better prices for stored sweet potatoes.

Specialist—Er—no. My charge is

for removing a foreign substance from the cornea.—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

LODGE AND CHURCH NOTICES

St. Cloud Lodge No. 221, F. & A. M., regular meeting second and fourth Friday evening each month. Visiting brothers cordially invited. Hall corner 10th and Penn, ave.

St. Cloud Garrison No. 141, A. & N. U. Regular meeting first and third Monday at 2 o'clock p. m., in Masonic Hall.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Bible school 9:30; morning service 10:30; evening Christian Endeavor 6:00; chart lecture 7:00; Wednesday, prayer meeting. All are cordially invited to all these services.

IT'S ALL THE SAME

Patient—But, doctor, you are not asking \$5 for merely taking a cinder out of my eye?

Specialist—Er—no. My charge is

for removing a foreign substance from the cornea.—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

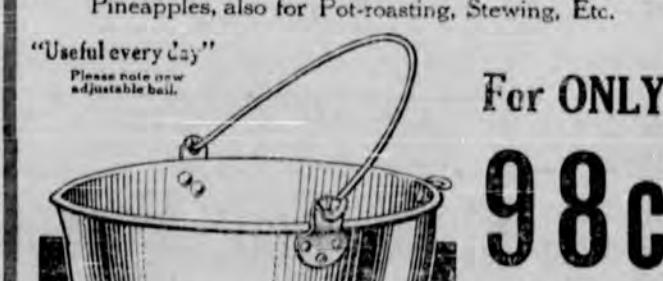
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Any one of the above mentioned articles would make a beautiful present for all members of the family. Do not delay your Christmas shopping too long or you will regret it.

Only eleven more days before Christmas. Come in and look over our assortment before it is too late. Below we make a few suggestions for

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St. Cloud

COMING VISITING GOING

ST. CLOUDLETS

LOCAL PERSONAL SOCIAL

Fire insurance, taxes. A. E. Drought,

Mrs. J. B. Westcott made a business trip to Jacksonville this week.

Don't forget! Beer Musical Club, G. A. R. Hall Monday night.

Miss Eula Strode of Green Cove Springs, is visiting relatives in the city.

W. A. Drawdy has just returned from Jacksonville, where he has been on business.

Mrs. Clara Nolty, of Ashland, Ky., is a guest at the Kibbe home on Wisconsin avenue.

Master Ben Gaymen Strode is visiting at his grandparents, on Massachusetts avenue.

Miss Mary Tracy, of Wamegan, Conn., has returned. This is her second winter in St. Cloud.

Mrs. H. Dale, Mrs. P. Nichols, and Mr. L. Degroat called on Mrs. E. Vreeland Monday afternoon.

Comrade F. M. Lee and daughter, of South Bend, Ind., arrived in St. Cloud last Saturday to spend the winter.

Miss Edyth Jenness attended the dance in Kissimmee on Friday evening last and was the guest of Mrs. C. L. Bandy.

Miss Gertrude Mosher has been on the sick list for the past few days her friends will be glad to see her out again.

Mr. Monroe Johnson is working hard on his grounds since he arrived in St. Cloud a week ago, but he says he is glad he is here.

Miss Louisa Hopper, of Jersey avenue, and Mrs. Mary McLane, of Pennsylvania avenue, left on the morning train for Orlando.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society will hold an apron and food sale in the old G. A. R. Hall, Friday, December 15.

Mr. John Merlin, of Jersey avenue, left for Ohio Tuesday morning to be with his children. He is in poor health and decided to go home.

Capt. and Mrs. E. F. Tucker have returned to St. Cloud for the winter. They arrived last Thursday and have taken up their residence on Jersey avenue.

Comrade Henry A. Compton and daughter, Miss May, of Bourbon, Ill., are in the city to spend the winter. They are much pleased with St. Cloud and it is their first visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. S. Cooper, of Toledo, Iowa, have arrived for their third winter season spent in St. Cloud. They have taken up their residence at Eighth street and Florida avenue.

Capt. W. H. Yates and Mr. W. H. Miller, of Union Springs, N. Y., arrived in St. Cloud Monday to look over the Wonder City. Capt. Yates was a member of the 124th New York Volunteers, and says he likes the appearance of the city very much. It is understood these gentlemen have a great many friends back home who are waiting to hear from them about the city before taking a journey this way to make their future homes.

S. W. Porter, real estate, insurance.

Mrs. Mary W. Veeder gave a home coming dinner for her brother on Wednesday, December the 6th. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Vreeland were among the guests to enjoy the New York delicacies.

Eight lots in Denver, Col., to exchange for St. Cloud property. See Diefendorf.

William Richards, of Madison, Wis., cousin, has arrived in St. Cloud and is stopping with Mrs. W. W. Ferguson, Seventh and Pennsylvania avenue, where he will remain for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whittaker and daughter, Miss Sarah, of Providence, R. I., arrived in the city last week to spend the winter. They have taken rooms in the Cooper building on Massachusetts avenue.

Mr. Albert W. Dougherty, of Wisconsin avenue, arrived home in St. Cloud Tuesday evening, from New York, having been there for six months. He was glad to join his sister, Mrs. Mary W. Veeder.

Best ever. Monday night, Brewer Musical Club, at G. A. R. Hall.

Dr. and Mrs. E. V. Granger, of Pascoag, R. I., have arrived in St. Cloud to spend a few months enjoying the ideal climate of the city. They are domiciled in the Durham apartments on Pennsylvania avenue.

Comrades J. G. A. Gustafson and Aeon Charleston, the former of Cambridge, Ill., and the latter from Lynn Center, Ill., have arrived in St. Cloud to spend the winter and are staying with Judge and Mrs. S. D. Decker.

When in Kissimmee eat at Mack's Cafe. Home cooking, good service. The home of fried oysters and real coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Chamberlain, of Ithaca, N. Y., arrived in the Wonder City Sunday afternoon to spend their fourth winter with the progressive citizens of St. Cloud. They are staying at the home of S. M. Hunt, on Twelfth street.

Among those arriving this week were: Mr. and Mrs. Preston Raynor, of South Jamesport, N. Y., where they have their summer home, and Mrs. M. J. Bilard, and daughter, of Pecan Long Island, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Sterns, of Eastport, Long Island.

Special rates on season tickets for children for the Lyceum Course. First number next Monday night.

Mrs. Mary E. Tracey, of Waukegan, Conn., arrived the past week and has taken up her residence in the Durham flats for the winter. Mrs. Tracey has visited St. Cloud before and is well pleased with the growth of the town.

Mr. D. Bras and wife, of Huntingdon, W. Va., who are touring the state, visited at L. L. Kibbe's Saturday and Sunday. They are so delighted with our state that they say they will spend next winter in the Wonder City.

I am now prepared to make trips anywhere in the state, with my new five-passenger automobile. Charges reasonable. B. F. Ralls.

Mrs. Garner has moved her store from first door north of New York market to Peckham Building, first door south of bank. She has, in addition to ladies' hats, hosiery, ladies' waists, skirts, middies, etc. A beautiful line of Christmas cards, booklets and novelties.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis D. Rouse, of Central Village, Conn., have returned to their home on Connecticut Avenue and Fifth street. This is their eighth winter in St. Cloud. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Loring, of the same place, came with them, and this is the latter's first winter in St. Cloud.

O. V. Zangen and A. E. Thomas, representing the Treasure Island Nursery, were in the city Wednesday looking after the interests of their company. Mr. Thomas is agent for Osceola county and is well known to the people of St. Cloud. Mr. Zangen has charge of the Orlando office.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rankin, of Minneapolis, Minn., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rankin, of this city, and intend to remain for the winter. Mr. A. E. Rankin is an ex-policeman in Minneapolis, where he served for 20 years. The newcomers say they are delighted with the climate of St. Cloud.

Friends of Mrs. O'Connor, who lives on Illinois avenue, between Seventh and Eighth streets, will regret to learn of the death of Glen, her 8-year old son last Saturday. The funeral was held at the home Sunday by Dr. Cooke, of the Presbyterian church, with interment in Mt. Peace Cemetery.

At the annual meeting of the Woman's Guild of the Episcopal church, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. L. D. Frost, president; Mrs. Guy Morgan, vice president; Mrs. Clara Sims, secretary; Mrs. W. J. Mallett, treasurer; Mrs. Rush, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Mary Reynolds, directresses.

John F. Bailey has purchased a house and two lots on Illinois avenue, between Eighth and Ninth streets, and will be joined by his wife Friday, taking up their residence here permanently. Mr. Bailey came here from Canada to visit his brother, Clarence Bailey, several weeks ago, and after making a tour of all the towns in South Florida returned to the Wonder City to locate.

There was no meeting of the young men to form a basket ball team on Tuesday evening, due to the lack of interest being manifested in the work. It was hoped by Mr. Rou that the young men of the city would get together and organize a team for work during the remainder of the school season, at least, but it seems that the time is not propitious.

A real, up-to-the-minute entertainment, G. A. R. Hall Monday night.

Comrade Robert Sutor returned to the Wonder City Wednesday afternoon, after spending several months in Coshocton, Ohio, and says it seems good to be back in the land of sunshine once more. Mr. Sutor had an attack of lagriope in October and he says it was hard for him to get well enough to reach St. Cloud before the great cold spells came in Ohio, but he is here, and feels better already.

Notice to Bandmen—The Kissimmee Concert Band extends an invitation to all musically inclined visitors to come over and play. For further information write W. A. Smith, manager, Kissimmee, or see Clarence Bailey, at Marines' Drug Store, 15-45.

Last Thursday was the forty-sixth wedding anniversary of Comrade and Mrs. Holden, of Ohio avenue. Mrs. Holden has been one of the shut-ins for many years, and is a most lovable, patient woman. Late in the afternoon, her daughter, Miss May Holden invited in a few neighbors to help celebrate the event, it being a genuine surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Holden. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable hour was spent with them. Mr. Holden stated he had just received a letter from his son, near Cleveland, Ohio, stating a snow storm was on, thus causing his guests to feel it was good to be in this balmy clime. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Bleech, Mr. and Mrs. Van Arsdale, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, and Mr. and Mrs. Bracken. All expressed the wish that the genial couple would live to enjoy their golden wedding anniversary.

O. V. Zangen and A. E. Thomas, representing the Treasure Island Nursery, were in the city Wednesday looking after the interests of their company. Mr. Thomas is agent for Osceola county and is well known to the people of St. Cloud. Mr. Zangen has charge of the Orlando office.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rankin, of Minneapolis, Minn., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rankin, of this city, and intend to remain for the winter. Mr. A. E. Rankin is an ex-policeman in Minneapolis, where he served for 20 years. The newcomers say they are delighted with the climate of St. Cloud.

Some good seats still available for the Lyceum Course. See Durham.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 15.—

Victor Moore in "The Clown"

A comedy drama of Circus Life.

SATURDAY, DEC. 16—

Scenic trip along the Columbia River, Wash.

George Ovy in "A Cub Comedy"

Vivian Rich in a two-part drama.

MONDAY, DEC. 18—

Margaret Clark in "Gretna Green"

One of those sweet rural dramas.

TUESDAY, DEC. 19—

Lenore Ulrich in "The Better Woman"

A fascinating story of love, hate and jealousy.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20—

Miss Ann Pennington in "Susie Snow Flakes"

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Vets' Association

The association was called to order by President W. F. Kenney at 2 p.m. The house was packed to overflowing. After the usual opening exercises the president gave an outline of the proceedings of the previous meeting on account of the absence of the secretary and record book. Arrangements were made as follows: the Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will hold an all-day bazaar in the old G. A. R. hall; lunch served at the noon hour and, ice cream all day. Wednesday, December 12th the Ohio Association hold their monthly meeting in the park if weather permits; if not, they will meet in the old G. A. R. hall at 2 p.m. December 13. Next came the St. Cloud yell from the audience. The president announced a lecture to be given on Wednesday December 13, at 2 p.m., W. F. Kenney to give the lecture, on Long Life, or How to Live to a Good Old Age.

Strangers and home-comers were invited to the platform, and the following made introductory speeches:

John Pratt, Co. D, 168th Ohio.

C. E. S. Cooper, home-comer.

W. C. Barde, Co. G, 7th Mich. Cav, Custer's Brigade.

Oscar Noble, Co. D, 6th N. Y., and Co. I, 10th Cavalry.

C. A. Ford, Custer's Brigade; was in Andersonville prison six months.

Arthur Hauser, Co. H, 34th Indiana O. V. I.

Comrade Winn, 7th Cavalry Vol.

R. D. Snyder, from Michigan; did not get his company or regiment.

Each and every one stated they were pleased with St. Cloud and glad to be here where the sunshine and flowers are instead of the cold and snow in the Northland. One lady, who is here for the winter at least, is pleased with the Wonder City. She is a soldier's widow, but the secretary did not get her name.

While the collection was being taken the choir sang "Aunt Dinah's Quilting Party."

Collection amounted to \$6.92.

The orchestra gave two splendid selections. More of that kind of music thankfully received on each Saturday meeting.

Rev. Cooke, pastor of the Presbyterian church, gave a very interesting talk on his experiences in the Civil war. The story of his white handled knife was wonderful. The bullet which struck his knife instead of his hip saved his life. He held the bullet which he has kept these 51 years, so that the audience could see it, but the knife he lost, and he is offering a reward of \$50 to the finder of that knife, his "life preserver." He also showed the audience a flower he sent to his sister during the war; also a cane he cut from the bloody battle field.

Rev. Cooke later was shot, the ball lodging near the backbone, which fin-

ished his record on the battle field. Comrade Adams, who sat in the audience said he was in these same battles and helped to carry Commander Sedgwick from the battle field. President Kenney was also wounded in the same battle. This closed the program and the choir sang Old Kentucky Home.

Professor Adams, of the St. Cloud Chautauqua, came on the platform and expressed himself as being pleased to be with the veterans and St. Cloud people in general.

Closed by singing The Star Spangled Banner.

Anna Ansbagh, Sec.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all of the friends who offered their sympathy and floral offerings in our recent bereavement, and assure you that we appreciate your kindness.

Mrs. Georgia O'Connor and F. H.

SOME LEMONS

William H. Empson, who came to St. Cloud several years ago from Lockport, N. Y., brought to the Tribune a sample of lemons taken from a six-year-old tree growing on his place at New Jersey and Thirteenth street, the bunch of seven weighing and nearly five pounds. The bunch grew on a twig only seven inches long, and the tree had about two boxes this year. Mr. Empson says there is no longer any doubt in his mind that the lands around St. Cloud will grow anything tried in the citrus fruit line.

His home place demonstrates beyond question that this is the best place to grow anything desired, and that too, at a season of the year when the North is snow-bound.

These samples of lemons are an example of what can be done here, and

Mr. Empson says he fertilized but once in six years. The fruit is on display at the office of the St. Cloud Development Company.

PROGRAM OF ZION'S RELIGIOUS LITERARY SOCIETY.

Study subject for December 15, 1916: "Unbelief in the last days."

Golden text: "The laborer in Zion shall labor for Zion, for if they labor for money they shall perish."

Central thought: Our surest reward will come from our serving him who has the most ample resources with which to pay, and who is moved by the highest ideal of justice.

Elder J. Spaulding and Mrs. Theo, few minutes on "Evidences of Unbelief among church people."

We enjoyed a very pleasant meeting Friday evening, December 8th.

Elder J. Spaulding and Mrs. Theo, Smith were voted in the society as members.

Meeting, held at the home of H. W. Rumrell, Pleasant Valley, at 6:30 p. m. each Friday. All are kindly invited to attend these meetings.

LADIES' IMPROVEMENT CLUB

The Ladies Improvement Club met Wednesday at the usual hour, in their rooms, Florida avenue and Tenth street.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and adopted, with Mrs. Lou Hendrix presiding. There was a very large attendance and some new members were admitted to the club. After the business hour the social program was taken up by Mrs. Sidney Porter.

Mrs. Dr. Cushman gave a very interesting and encouraging talk to the club on "How women had advanced in all walks of life and are still progressing. Mrs. Cushman is a woman of fine personality and it is

a pleasure to listen to her talk on womanhood.

Little Frances Conn entertained the club with a song entitled "I Want to Kiss You Through the Telephone," accompanied on the piano by Mrs. J. K. Conn. Miss Frances has a sweet voice and no doubt will follow in the footsteps of her talented mother.

Mrs. Metzgar gave a fine talk, which was well enjoyed. Also there were readings by several women of the club, which were interesting.

After a social chat the club adjourned until December 20th, at 2 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. E. Vreeland,

Press Correspondent.

W. C. T. U. Notes

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held a very interesting meeting in the Baptist church on Monday, December 4th, 1916. The president, Mrs. Sarah Matthews, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p. m. A temperance song was sung, and a chapter was read from the Bible. The president offered a fervent prayer for strength and guidance to accomplish the most good for the cause of temperance.

Every citizen should be on the alert to help in the work now being done in our United States for the cause of temperance. We can, if we all try, make the map all white and have national constitutional prohibition in 1918.

The W. C. T. U. will have charge of the social hour at the Veterans' Association one Saturday of each month. Mrs. Livermore is preparing a temperance program for the fifth Saturday of this month.

Mrs. Kaufman, the superintendent of L. T. L. work desires every L. T. L. members to be present at the M. E. church on Friday next and bring one extra to work with her and the Loyal Temperance Legion.

Communications were read by Mrs. Clara Kenney from the State President of Florida, and others.

The president gave a short talk on "Social Problems," which was very interesting, as well as instructive.

Two ladies were made members of the Union and I may add this: all ladies are cordially invited to join our Union and help in the cause of prohibition.

Several lady visitors were present. Gentlemen are also invited to the W. C. T. U. meetings. Every citizen is needed in this grand work of making the map of the United States all white. It can't be done too soon.

Adjourned to meet December 18th, at 2:30 p. m., in the Baptist church.

Anna Ansbagh, Press Cor

MOTHER BICKERDIKE TENT

At the last meeting of the Daughters of Veterans it was arranged for a few of the members to go out to the school where Miss May Pettis is teaching, to present the school with a flag.

So on Friday morning a party comprising the following: Mrs. G. F. Smith, Mrs. M. W. Lawton, Miss Jane Warner and Miss Clara Reynolds, went out and presented the flag. Mrs. Smith presented the flag in a very pleasing manner; Miss Warner and Miss Reynolds read appropriate poems and Mr. Ralls made a short speech to the pupils.

Miss Pettis had the pupils well prepared with songs and recitations, as well as a flag salute.

Although the exercises were brief they were good and appropriate.

The ladies are very grateful to Mr.

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ADDITIONAL ST. CLOUDLETS

Watch for the first episode of the new series.

Tuesday Rev. Beauchamp observed the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage and the thirty-fifth birthday of his daughter, as well as the eleventh wedding anniversary of his daughter, Mrs. [redacted] who is the wife of the Y. M. C. A. secretary at Wabash, Ind., but who is in St. Cloud for the winter. Rev. Beauchamp was married in Wabash, Indiana, December 12, 1866.

Everyone knows Beatrice Fairfax. Watch for her.

Dr. L. C. Riddle, Dentist, in Conn Building. Phones: Office 21; residence 7. Gas administered.

Capt. E. F. Tucker and wife, of Greensburg, Ky., came in Thursday morning via Pennington Gap, Va., where they had been visiting some of their relatives. Capt. Tucker served in the 13th Ky. Vols., and has been a working and distinguished G. A. R. man since the organization of the Kentucky G. A. R. He and wife will hold forth for the winter on Jersey avenue and Fourteenth street.

The contractors of St. Cloud are hustling, and they are a progressive bunch of men. They will build you a cottage on your lot purchased from the St. Cloud Development Company, at any price and build it while you wait.

Comrade F. P. Wentworth, accompanied by his estimable wife, arrived home last Thursday after spending the summer in New Hampshire and Maine, and have opened their cottage for the winter. They report that at least five of their friends and neighbors in the North will join them on about the first of the year for a visit, and it is their intention to keep boasting for the Wonder City until our population grows several times larger.

Take advantage of the great offer made in this issue by the St. Cloud Development Company, and buy a lot listed at \$100 for \$50.

B. Alvis, special representative of the Eureka Fire Hose Manufacturing Co., of Atlanta, was in the city the first of the week offering the council some special prices on fire hose. The council accepted the offer to save the city ten per cent on the market price.

of hose deliveries to be made when called for by the city when the water system has been completed as to make their use necessary, the price agreed upon to be given the city in spite of the daily advance in the market on such goods.

If you want some nice three-colored Christmas cards with your name printed on them to insert in Christmas packages, call at the Tribune and leave your order early.

A delightful Thanksgiving dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Clauson November 30th.

The guests were treated to a turkey feast, the bird having been sent by a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clauson, Mrs. Hughlin, of Illinois.

Mrs. Clauson assisted her mother in serving the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Cameron, of Ohio; Mrs. Dofford and son, of Knoxville, Tenn.; and W. P. Lynch. The guests suggest that Thanksgiving should come every three months.

What safer investment can you make than to invest your money in real estate. Call on or write the St. Cloud Development Company, 13-41.

The Kissimmee Band rendered a pleasing program in front of the New St. Cloud Hotel last Thursday evening, and the selections were from the most popular music. The members of the band were heartily applauded, and have become known as the best band in the state. Efforts are being made to have a band concert here every Thursday evening, and the matter will be taken up at once to arrange for funds for the purpose. It is hoped that these concerts, aside from the delightful entertainment afforded will arouse interest in the organization of a band for St. Cloud. There are several St. Cloud people numbered in the Kissimmee organization.

Christmas visiting cards—just the thing for the holiday season, at the Tribune office.

WEST END NOTES

The following letter was received by A. S. Cole, of California avenue, among many others he gets from our northern comrades:

Providence, R. I., Dec. 3, 1916.—Mr. A. S. Cole: Your kind letter of the 24th Ult., came duly to hand, for which I thank you. My little dog is

neat, kind, and makes no trouble. If I cannot secure a place so that I can have her with me I shall have to give up going to St. Cloud. Yours in P. C. and L. Chas. F. Pierce.

This letter shows that Comrade Cole failed to endorse dogs in bringing this old comrade to Florida—to sleep in the house, let alone in the bed—Well, what next?

LAMB MAKING SALES

L. Lamb's real estate dealer of St. Cloud reports the following sales of properties this week:

Mr. Elliott of Wyoming, lots 4 and 5, on Ohio avenue, and two lots just south of these sold to Mrs. Poole.

A Mr. Englewood bought two five-acre tracts near the city, and had deals on for six other places that were expected to be closed this week.

Three lots on Tenth and Ohio avenue were sold to J. F. Bailey.

Cut Sweet Potato Vines After Frost

Sweet potato vines should be cut at the hill after the first killing frost so that the roots which attack them will not descend into the roots. A sharp hoe should be used to clip them at the surface of the ground. It is not necessary to harvest the potatoes immediately, according to C. K. McQuarrie, state agent for the University of Florida Extension Division, who attended the fair, the growers exhibited were as good as any in the state. All the pigs were pure-bred animals of the first or second generation after importation.

These breeds have become established there, owing to the efforts of the county agent, M. C. Gardner. The number of Durocs, Hampshires, and Berkshires is about the same. All are doing well under Jefferson county conditions. The progress which farmers are making in producing better hogs is wonderful, and the change is easily apparent, now, a year after a new blood was introduced.

It is necessary to avoid injury to the potatoes during harvesting since wounds admit decay organisms. Observance of the following recommendations sent out by the United States Department of Agriculture will lessen storage troubles:

"Care should be taken in plowing out the potatoes to avoid all bruising by contact between the implements used and the roots. The soil should then be scratched away from the potatoes and they should be left exposed for several hours to dry. Picking should be in padded boxes, baskets or crates. The roots should be carefully placed, not thrown into the picking receptacles. Although sweet potatoes do not have the appearance of being easily injured, they require, in fact, as careful handling as oranges. Handling should be minimized to

The aboncello, or soap-berry tree, (*Sapindus saponaria*), grows in the humid parts of Western Ecuador, says a writer in the Indianapolis News. It attains a height of fifty feet and has wide-spreading branches and immense quantities of fruit the size and shape of cherries. The nearly transparent yellowish skin and pulp surrounding the round, black seeds are so saponaceous as to be used instead of soap by many people of Ecuador. The hard, polished seeds have been used extensively in Spain and England for waistcoat buttons, for they are durable and seldom ever break. They are used also as beads.

SOAP AND BUTTON TREE

Some idea of the corn crop of the United States may be obtained when it is known that for every dollar of gold taken from American mines the farmers of the country husked \$17 worth of corn. Measured in money the value of the crop in 1916 is estimated at \$1,500,000,000. The corn fields are large enough to cover all of the surface of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, if they were confined to those states.—Oil City Derrick.

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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts \$31,063.56

Overdrafts unsecured 195.00

U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 17,500.00

U. S. Deposits 2,000.00

U. S. Bonds held and collateralized 1,000.00

Bonds and securities pledged as collateral for State deposits 8,000.00

Securities other than U. S. bonds owned unpledged 53,111.32

Stock in Federal Reserve Bank 1,950.00

Bank notes 5,680.00

Furniture and fixtures 5,500.00

Other real estate owned 3,500.00

Due from Approved Reserve Agents in reserve cities 11,220.04

Due from banks and bankers (other than above) 10,861.71

Outside checks and other cash items 50.00

Fractional currency, nickels and cents 153.10

Notes of other National Banks 455.00

Federal Reserve notes 90.00

Lawful reserve in vault and with Federal Reserve Bank 26,710.74

Redeemed fund with U. S. Treasury 875.00

Total \$18,941.58

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in 50,000.00

Surplus fund 14,000.00

Undivided profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid 14,612.28

Circulating notes 17,500.00

Demand deposits subject to check 114,800.87

Certificates of deposit due less than 30 days 138,051.79

Cashier's checks outstanding 1,007.52

Postal Saving deposits 968.42

State Deposits 364,928.00

Time Deposits 7,000.00

Certificates of deposit 68,000.00

Other time deposits 30,000.00

Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed 12,000.00

Total \$18,941.58

Liabilities for Rediscounts including those with Federal Reserve Bank 29,342.62

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I, A. W. Gustus, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

A. W. GUSTUS, CASHIER.

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\$26.50	\$20.00
\$30.00	\$22.50
\$35.00	\$26.50

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